



SIDE-EVENT 2

Role of ICT in Curricular Innovation

*organised by the International Bureau of Education (IBE)*

**ICTs in Education**

Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) in education are now seen worldwide as both a necessity and opportunity.

UNESCO is giving a high priority to the use of ICTs for more equitable and pluralistic development in education.

The broad questions on which UNESCO focuses are:

- How can one use ICTs to accelerate progress towards education for all and throughout life?
- How can ICTs bring about a better balance between equity and excellence in education?
- How can ICTs help reconcile universality and local specificity of knowledge?
- How can education prepare individuals and society to benefit from ICTs that increasingly permeate all realms of life?

**UNESCO's programmes on ICTs in Education**

**Vision**

A world without boundaries where technologies support education to build inclusive knowledge societies.

**Mission**

- A permanent global debate on education and learning for all and ICTs;
- ICTs as levers for change in educational systems;
- Using ICTs effectively in the learning environment: for learners, for teachers, and for contents.



**Objectives**

- Deepen the understanding of the role of ICTs in curricular innovations and support of inclusive education;
- Discuss selected initiatives by UNESCO, IBE and others in this field;
- Identify concrete results from three projects.

**Panel Composition**

Moderator:

**Ms Miriam Nisbet** (Director of UNESCO Information Society Division), will introduce speakers and present an overview of the session.

1. **Mr. Illah Nourbakhsh** (Professor from Carnegie Mellon University) will present the IBE-CMU project on ICT and inclusive education (GigaPan Conversations: Diversity and Inclusion in the Community).

2. **Mr. Juan Ignacio Martinez** (Executive Director of the UNESCO Center of San Sebastian) will present the on-line training programmes of UNESCO Animators with a particular focus in Latin America.

3. **Mr. Johan Lindeberg** and **Mr. Kiichi Oyasu** from UNESCO Bangkok, will present the experience of Community Learning Centers as good examples of non-formal education and ICT.

*Sandwiches provided from 13.30 in front of the entrance*

**Support Documentation**

- Power point presentations of the three projects
- GigaPan conversations: Diversity and Inclusion in the Community, 2008 (English)
- ICTs and Curricular Innovation: a training programme based on UNESCO values, 2008 (Spanish)

Tuesday, 25 November 2008

13:45 - 14:45

Room 3

*Simultaneous Interpretation: English, French and Spanish*